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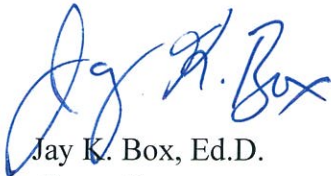
To whom it may concern:

Excellence for All, a program being piloted in Kentucky and three other states, is a high school initiative that allows students to participate in a specific curriculum capped by a series of “board exams”. Students complete the program by the end of their sophomore year. The system incorporates a clear, practical strategy that enables students to graduate from high school prepared to succeed in college or in a program of career and technical education leading to an industry-recognized certificate. It does this by bringing the system of aligned instruction and examination used by best-performing countries to U.S. high schools.

According to the Excellence for All website, “The purpose of this program is to greatly increase the proportion of high-need high school students who leave high school ready to do college-level work and greatly reduce the proportion of students who enter our colleges who never get beyond taking a few remedial courses before they drop out.”

If high school students complete the program and successfully meet qualifying scores on board exams, the Kentucky Community and Technical College System guarantees the student’s admission to one of our colleges, without the need for remediation. Students will be enrolled directly into credit-bearing coursework as a result of completion of the Excellence for All program.

Sincerely,



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